Transportation & Trails Subcommittee Meeting

Ramona Community Planning Group

434 Aqua Lane, Ramona

Minutes from June 2, 2014

- 1. Meeting called to order by Committee Chair Carl Hickman at 7:05pm.
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance.
- 3. All members present, except Karen Carlson who had an excused absence.
- 4. Approval of minutes from 3/28/14. Motion to approve: 1st Cheryl Wegner; 2nd Arvie Degenfelder; Unanimous.
- 5. Announcements-none Carl asked to move Item #10 up. Motion: 1st: Cheryl Wegner; 2nd: Arvie Degenfelder; Unanimous.
- 6. Non-agenda item:
 - a. Ken Brennecke referred to SANDAG report, which he passed out to group regarding Ramona Street. He asked that we read the report when we have time. Carl recommended we all read it.
 - 10. Sharon Pritchard spoke about the noise from the cars on the payment of Hanson Lane. She said it has not been resealed for 25 years. The traffic count is 4,025. Asked it be moved higher on our priority list. Discussion about a rubber based asphalt. Bob Hailey suggests it get put on the priority list. Sharon presented a report to support noise issue. Discussion. Kristin Mansolf provided priority list to reference. Carl Hickman asked if Sharon called the county. She has. Maybe we should have the county look at this to provide assessment. Motion: Ask county to evaluate surface condition of Hanson Lane between Ashley and Barnett. 1st: Cheryl Wegner; 2nd Bob Hailey. Motion passed with Jim Cooper and Dawn Perfect abstaining.
- 7. Arvie Degenfelder spoke about the fatalities that have occurred along Main Street where there are no crosswalks, but citizens, often young people, still cross, between 6th St, 8th St, 9th St. Dawn Perfect spoke about the Village group discussions about using different pavement at some places. Not all of these sites were identified. Bob Hailey spoke about a long time ago when Cal Trans and the county having looked at this and the problems about giving people a false sense of security about crosswalks in these locations. Jim Cooper is concerned about 16th St by McDonalds. Carl Hickman spoke about the challenges with crosswalks at uncontrolled intersections. Need 30/hr that cross there to show need. Noted that all these sites have alternatives, such as 7thSt where there is a light and crosswalk. Arvie Degenfelder expressed frustrations. Motion to table: 1st: Dawn Perfect; 2nd Jim Cooper; John and Arvie Degenfelder were against. All others voted to support the motion.
- 8. Consideration of right turn lane at 10th and Main St discussed. Montecito development slated to improve intersection, but it would just be video detection for efficiency. The site is tight, not many options. Dawn Perfect stated the when 13th St improvements are completed it may

- provide some relief and improve safety. Motion to table: 1st: Dawn Perfect; 2nd: Jim Cooper; Unanimous.
- 9. Joe Minervini presented his point of view of the Highway 67/Dye Rd intersection right turn lane on to Dye, with a handout. Right turn lane is 700'. He wants it extended all the way to Mussey Grade Rd. Right of way should be there he thinks. What is budget? Wants to get the county to help convince Cal Trans to extend to Mussey Grade. Dawn Perfect said Jim Piva is working with an ad hoc committee about this intersection. They may have viable solutions. John Degenfelder asked about how Joe's proposal would affect the driveways there. Carl Hickman said cars can turn on red or green, so there shouldn't be a backup to Mussey Grade. Scotty Ensign appreciates Joes thinking outside the box. Does this meet Cal Trans standards? Bob Hailey is concerned about issues regarding the merge out of Mussey Grade with extending the turn lane from Dye Rd. Jim Cooper said let's get to the bottom line. Suggests a letter to finalize it once and for all. Carl Hickman has talked with the engineer previously about this intersection. There is not a lot of right of way at stake. The cost was \$4 million, now \$10 million. It won't meet Cal Trans standards and would create a "weaving" lane. It would work if the road were 4 lanes. Dawn suggests getting an update from the ad hoc committee. Motion to ask the RCPG Ad Hoc Committee to present status update of planned improvements of this intersection (Hwy 67/Highland Vly/Dye Rd). 1st: Dawn Perfect; 2nd: Bob Hailey; Unanimous.
- 11. Kristi Mansolf provided insight regarding tree removal request on Arena Dr. Discussion about the issue. Scotty would like to take a look at the tree. Motion to table: 1st: Scotty Ensign; 2nd: Dawn Perfect: Unanimous.
- 12. Per Kristi Mansolf indicates that tree trimmers would have trimmed the leaning tree on Mussey Grade Rd if it would have helped. There is a vertical of less than 14', it is 11.2'. Residents Rick Morgal and Mark Hutton, who are against removal of the tree, suggest moving the pavement, restriping road to save the tree. Bob Hailey would like to see the county take a look at the options to save it. Motion: Draft a letter to the county to explore the options for road improvements or realignments to preclude removal of the tree on Mussey Grade Rd. 1st: Dawn Perfect; 2nd John Degenfelder; Unanimous.
- 13. No concerns from members.
- 14. None mentioned
- 15. Adjournment. Time not noted.

Minutes taken and submitted by Cheryl Wegner.